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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Robert L. Myers of Moline, who passed away on January 7, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Myers was born on March 21, 1986 in Independence, Missouri; his parents were Julie Burke Myers and Gary L. Myers; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Myers attended Knoxville schools, graduating from Knoxville High School in 2004; he later earned his associate's degree from Carl Sandburg College and his Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from Western Illinois University; he then attended the University of Hawaii and Rutgers University before obtaining his Master of Arts in Criminal Justice from St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa in 2013; while in high school, he was invited to attend the Illinois Teenage Institute with the Peers with Advanced Leadership Skills Program at Millikin University; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Myers served his country as a member of the United States Navy; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Myers worked at the Knox County Teen Court for 3 years, having served as juror, defense attorney,

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1 prosecuting attorney, and bailiff; he worked as a Digital Media
2 Consultant for the Quad City Times in Davenport, Iowa, worked
3 for security at I Wireless in Moline, and assisted Illinois
4 State Senator Michael Jacobs and Congressman Bobby Schilling on
5 their political campaigns; while in college, he established a
6 book company as owner and operator under the title of Grammy's
7 Books; and

8 WHEREAS, Robert Myers attended the First Presbyterian
9 Church in Galesburg, where he served as a Deacon and
10 participated with the Presbyterian Youth Club and other
11 committees; he was also an Illinois High School Association
12 basketball official and was affiliated with the Masons
13 Davenport Lodge #37 in Davenport, Iowa; and

14 WHEREAS, Robert Myers enjoyed the outdoors, running
15 marathons, golfing, and fishing; he was also an avid fan of the
16 Chicago Cubs, the Iowa Hawkeyes, and the Mallards and Notre
17 Dame sports teams, among many others; and

18 WHEREAS, Robert Myers was preceded in death by his father,
19 Gary L. Myers; his maternal grandfather, Robert L. Burke; his
20 paternal grandfather, Forrest "Gene" Myers; and his uncle,
21 Robert Myers; and

22 WHEREAS, Robert Myers is survived by his daughter, Ashlyn

1 Myers; his mother, Julie Burke Myers; his sisters, Jessica
2 Myers and Tiffany Myers; his maternal grandmother, Margaret
3 Burke; his paternal grandmother, Alice Myers; his aunts, Linda
4 (Roger) Lamm, Karen Allen, Debbie (Randy) Shreeves, and Becky
5 (Tom) Nyman; his uncle, Terry Myers; and his many cousins and
6 close friends; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
9 family and friends, mourn the passing of Robert L. Myers; and
10 be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to the family of Robert Myers as an expression of our
13 sympathy.